



Louisiana's 3rd Congressional District

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“Affordability and accessibility to healthcare are words tossed around a lot in Washington, but they are serious concerns for many south Louisianians. In my Congressional office, we’re working to put these words into action. We’re passing laws and securing federal funds to lower the high cost of health care and insurance and make sure all Louisiana families have access to quality health care providers.”



Congressman Melancon discusses legislation to improve access to health care with staff at the St. Bernard Health Center.

CONGRESSMAN CHARLIE MELANCON IS WORKING TO MAKE HEALTHCARE MORE AFFORDABLE AND ACCESSIBLE BY:

- + Voting for a bipartisan compromise to reauthorize the State Children’s Health Insurance Program, or SCHIP
- + Securing \$1.3 million in federal funds for a new permanent healthcare facility in Chalmette
- + Securing federal dollars for a new MRI machine for the St. James Parish Hospital to better detect and treat cancer in an area with high cancer rates
- + Supporting the “Family Smoking Prevention and Tobacco Control Act” to further reduce youth tobacco use and prevent future medical problems among users
- + Working to reform the Medicare Prescription Drug Program to lower the cost of medicine for seniors

Congressman Melancon Votes for Health Care for Louisiana's Children

Congressman Melancon supported the reauthorization of the landmark SCHIP bill to provide much needed health insurance to over 200,000 uninsured Louisiana children.

The SCHIP bill helps provide health coverage to children whose parents often can't afford the high cost of private insurance or who don't receive health benefits from their employers.

As a result of the SCHIP program, Louisiana has lowered the percentage of uninsured children from 31% to 12.5%.

The SCHIP Bill will:

- ✚ Continue coverage and access to health insurance for over 109,000 uninsured Louisiana children
- ✚ Offer enrollment to an additional 82,000 Louisiana children
- ✚ Limit coverage to low and middle income children
- ✚ Does NOT cover illegal immigrants
- ✚ Provides a total of \$144 million in federal funds to Louisiana to help cover costs of program



“ In the richest country in the world, no child should be without health insurance. This bill will fully fund SCHIP, providing healthcare coverage for thousands of Louisiana children from poor families who lack health insurance, either because they can't afford it or their jobs do not provide it. SCHIP helps ensure that all of our kids can grow up healthy, regardless of whether their families are rich or poor, and I am proud to support the program's renewal.”

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